

HEALTH CARE FRAUD ELIMINATION TASK FORCE

Public Meeting Minutes Thursday, December 15, 2016 2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

The Health Care Fraud Elimination Task Force met and held a meeting open to the public on December 15, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph Street, 16th Floor. There was a live videoconference feed to the State Capitol Office located at 207 State House, 2nd Floor, Room 205V. Individuals also participated via conference call.

The Task Force members in attendance were the Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, Deputy Governor and Chief Operating Officer for the Office of the Governor, Chief Compliance Officer and Deputy General Counsel for the Office of the Governor, Policy Advisor for Healthcare and Human Services and Special Counsel for the Office of the Governor, Inspector General for the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Acting Director for the Department on Aging, Acting Secretary for the Department of Innovation and Technology, and Director of the Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.

I. Chair's welcome

Executive Inspector General (EIG) Maggie Hickey, chair of the Task Force, welcomed the participants to the public meeting. The Task Force members took turns introducing themselves.

The minutes from the September 28, 2016, public meeting had previously been circulated to the Task Force members via email. The minutes were approved.

II. Update regarding Task Force activities

Chair EIG Hickey discussed the Task Force's initial-six month report and press conference following the report's release in October 2016. The Director of the Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Captain Brian Ley discussed the progress of the In-Home Care Working Group. Chief Compliance Officer and Deputy General Counsel Georgia Man discussed the progress of the State Employee Group Insurance Working Group.

III. Assistant United States Attorney Stephen Lee

Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen Lee discussed health care fraud, specifically how fraud is perpetuated in Illinois' Medicare and Medicaid programs. Assistant U.S. Attorney Lee outlined suggestions on how the Task Force could prevent fraud. Before beginning his presentation, Mr. Lee noted he was speaking on his own behalf, not on behalf of the United States Attorney's Office. After the presentation, the Task Force engaged in a discussion regarding fraud prevention initiatives mentioned by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lee.

IV. Illinois Medicaid 1115 Waiver

Deputy Governor and Chief Operating Officer for the Office of the Governor Trey Childress presented information regarding the State's effort to obtain a Medicaid 1115 Waiver. Mr. Childress discussed the focus on behavioral health, and the use of a cross-discipline approach that includes housing and employment services, among others. Mr. Childress discussed that 12 agencies have collaborated as part of applying for the Waiver.

V. Task Force questions and answers

The Task Force members engaged in a discussion after each of the presentations.

VI. Public comments and questions

The public attendees did not have any questions or comments. Chair EIG Hickey thanked everyone for their participation. Chair EIG Hickey adjourned the meeting.